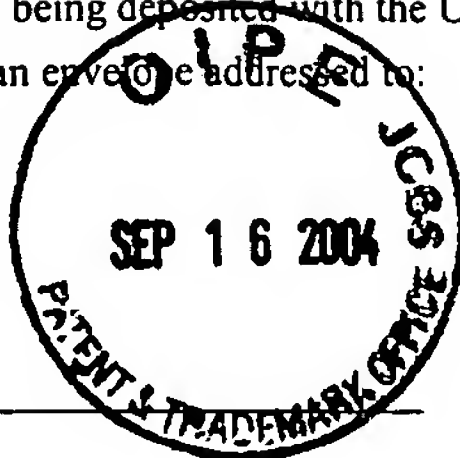


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In re application of:

Teresa Mead et al.

Application No.: 10/813,877

Filed: March 30, 2004

For: INFANT RESTRAINT SYSTEMS
AND METHODS

Examiner:

Art Unit: 3636

PETITION TO ACCEPT APPLICATION
ON BEHALF OF A JOINT INVENTOR
WHO REFUSES TO JOIN IN AN
APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.47(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner to accept the above-referenced application on behalf of Mike Pogue, a joint inventor, who refuses to join in the application. As required by MPEP 409.03(a), accompanying this petition is:

(A) A declaration that is signed on behalf of Mike Pogue by leaving the signature block of Mike Pogue blank while containing the signature of each of the other joint inventors;

(B) Declaration of Darin J. Gibby supporting the PETITION TO ACCEPT APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF A JOINT INVENTOR WHO REFUSES TO JOIN IN AN APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.47(a), demonstrating that Mike Pogue refuses to execute the application papers; and

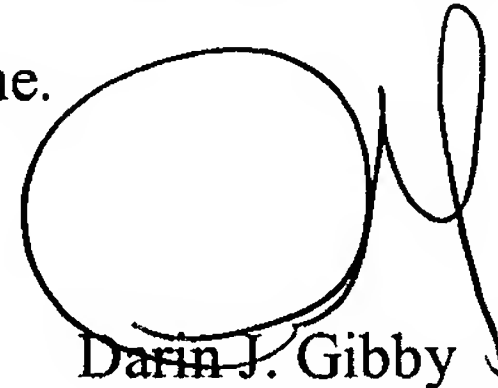
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(C) The last known address of Mike Pogue is 1371 Brookcress Drive, Golden, Colorado 80401.

Please deduct the fee of \$130.00 as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(h) for filing this Petition. Also enclosed is a Request for Extension of Time. Please deduct the fee of \$55.00 as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1) for filing an extension of time.



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